

BAYARD AND SCHADT

DISCUSSED BY THE METHODISTS

A Delaware Sensation—The Alleged Boast of Lou Schade Creates a Lively Scene in a Conference at Wilmington—What Brother Debevoise Said.

WILSON, D. Del., March 10.—When the Wilmington Methodist Episcopal Conference recently assembled at Middletown this morning a sensation was created by the remarks of Dr. Babcock of the National Temperance Union. He began by saying that the National Temperance Union literature in forming public opinion, "The forces of the whisky men are being routed, and only occasionally could they make an unimportant stand." He then gave a very convincing evidence of this in your State last year when the whisky men employed Senator Leach to kill the local option bill, then pending in the Maryland Legislature. He said that he sprang to his feet and demanded the name of Dr. Babcock's informer. Dr. Babcock replied that Louis Schaff, of Washington, attorney for the whisky men, was the informer. He then said that Mr. Byard to write a personal letter to kill the bill. Rev. J. L. Houston excitedly said he did not believe this and thought such charges by temperance men were unwarranted.

Dr. Babcock replied that if any one doubts his

Mr. Houston reiterated that it was highly improper to accuse Senator Bayard of selling himself. Mr. Bayard—I did not say so.

Mr. Houston.—Yes, I did.

Mr. Houston, continuing—I would never believe in Bayard's honorable character. If the Legislature asks for his opinion as to a law being enacted, I will give it, and he will give it honestly and conscientiously. It is time this slander had ceased.

Mr. Bayard again disclaimed saying that Senator Bayard had sold himself.

Mr. Colclough said that Senator Bayard is a man of too much character to sell himself, and the man who has sold himself only hurts himself, and the man who has sold himself is not a man of conviction.

He (Colclough) had a high regard for Mr. Bayard.

Mr. Bayard.—So have I.

Mr. Colclough said the circumstances were not against Mr. Bayard. He either volunteered to write a letter opposing local option or was paid for doing so. If he volunteered he aided himself and the liquor interest. If he was paid we would not help him.

Rev. J. E. Mowbray and J. L. Houston warmly defended Senator Bayard, and Dr. Babcock modified his charge by saying that he had the credit of defeating local option by his letter.

Mr. Houston reiterated that there was a question of constitutionality involved, and that the letter was written for the information of legislators at this point. He thought that the law that was finally passed by the Legislature a better one than the Temperance Alliance had asked for. [Shout of "No, No."] The subject was then dropped.

The letter of Senator Bayard referred to closes as follows: "I hope the experiment of 'local option' will not be tried by our Legislature, but in

AN OLD CLERK GONE.

Death of Chauncey Smith, a Good Man and an Eminent Mason.

The many friends of Chauncey Smith, esq., late chief of the Bond Division of the Post-Office Department, will be greatly pained to hear of his death, which occurred at twelve o'clock yesterday. The deceased was a native of Vermont and was nearly eighty years of age. In July 1, 1839, he was appointed clerk in the Post-Office Department, where he was constantly

employed until the day of his death, holding several positions, and discharging his duties with credit and fidelity. He was the first Master of Lafayette Lodge, F. A. A. M., was a member of Columbia Commandery, and was for many years Grand Treasurer of the Grand Chapter of the District. He was also one of the original founders of the Philharmonic Society of this city. His funeral services will take place at Masonic Temple at two o'clock to-morrow, and will be conducted by Columbia Commandery according to the ritual of the Knights Templar. Rev. Dr. Sunderland will conduct the religious services. The interment will take place in the Congressional Cemetery.

Barbed-Wire Fences.
 DES MOINES, Iowa, March 10.—The senate passed a joint resolution to-day reciting the grievance and hardships of the farmers of Iowa and the manufacturers of barbed-wire in the State by Washburn & Moen, and requesting that the President of the United States be requested to instruct the Attorney-General of the United States to bring an action in equity in the United States courts on behalf of the United States to restrain and enjoin the patentees and release themselves

claimed to be owned by Washburn & Moen, and others relating to barb-wire, and to restrain them from litigation. A letter was read from Butler, of Massachusetts, stating that the Attorney-General had expressed his willingness to bring such a suit. Six suits were filed in the United States Court here to-day and two yesterday by Washburn & Moen's attorneys, restraining the manufacture of barb-wire by Given & Carpenter of this city, and the Farmers' Protective Association and Butler Bros., of Union, Hardin County.

Strike is growing serious hourly. Adjutant-General Alexander arrived this evening to confer about bringing troops to protect the non-union laborers when they resume work, and it is certain a number of companies of regulars and militia are ready to enter the city at a brief notice. The greatest fear arises from the fact that a number of the strikers are indulging in liquor, and may commit violence under its influence. Three hundred smelters quit to-day without demanding higher wages, and a second number of men from the distillery. A majority of these informed their employers that they left under the coercion of the labor union, and not of their own

Funeral of Miss Anna A. Pratt.
The funeral of Miss Anna A. Pratt, the daughter of the Deaf and Dumb College, occurred yesterday morning in the chapel at Kendall Green. Her many friends, both in and out of the Institution, united in paying their last token of esteem to one whose lovely character and estimable life had endeared her to all. After the reading of prayer and brief remarks by Rev. Dr.

Franklin, which were interpreted in the sign language, one of the members of the senate class made some remarks by signs, and paid a tribute to the deceased, whom all the students held in loving remembrance. The President, Mr. Gallaudet, also spoke, and upon the conclusion of the services the remans were taken to the train for interment at the North.

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Friday's Nominations.

The President held the following nominations for the Senate Friday: Postmasters—Joseph E. Fulpe at Washington, N. J.; William M. Kuri at Athens, Ohio; August Bierwirth, at Cape Girardeau, Mo.; and Anthony Rice, at North Platte, Neb. James

Frank H. Cushing, the young and talented ethnologist of the Smithsonian Institution, who spent two years and a half among the Zuni Indians of New Mexico, lectured at the National Museum last night. Six of the Zunis, clad in the peculiar dress, were seated on the platform. The lecture was listened to by many of the scientific and literary people of Washington, and was

"The Lute War."

When a newspaper now speaks of "the late war" it is impossible to tell whether it refers to the South's rebellion or to the recent oyster war in Virginia waters, in which the Governor of the Dominion achieved such a signal victory with his gunboats, and returned home covered with glory, mud, and the rheumatism. — *Norfolk Herald.*

Kansas Next Time.

Kansas will elect four Congressmen at-large this year, as Governor St. John refuses to call the Legislature to redistrict the State.